

LADERA LINDA PARK MASTER PLAN



For the last several years, residents, local HOAs, City Council, and City staff have been working on a master plan for a new community center and park at Ladera Linda. This exciting and vital community project continues to move forward this summer. The renowned architecture and design firm of Johnson Favaro was approved by the City Council to refine the current layout. This process has involved significant research and public outreach. Johnson Favaro met with local Homeowner Associations, individual Council members, Docent representatives, and interested individuals. Johnson Favaro will present draft conceptual plans at a Community Workshop at Ladera Linda on July 10th at 7pm for public comment and input. After further refinement, the revised plan will be brought to the City Council for review and direction later this summer or early fall. The Community Workshop will be advertised via listserv announcements, website postings, and banners.

LADERA LINDA PARK MASTER PLAN
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH 7PM LADERA LINDA PARK
32201 FORRESTAL DRIVE RPV 90275

Visit <http://www.rpvca.gov/982/Ladera-Linda-Park-Master-Plan> for more information.

GOOOOOAAAAAAALLLLLSSSS!!!

2019 CITY COUNCIL GOALS & ACTION PLAN

City Council recently approved updated 2019 City Council Goals. This approval followed a rigorous draft process conducted by City Staff and the City Council Subcommittee consisting of Councilmembers Eric Alegria and Ken Dyda. The 2019 Goals and Action Plan is divided into six major categories, each with a core goal.

CATEGORY	GOAL
Public Safety:	Maintain a high level of public safety with public engagement.
Infrastructure:	Assess, prioritize and plan for the maintenance and improvement of all public infrastructures (including transportation systems, parking, utilities, storm drains and sewers).
City Land & Facilities:	Assess, prioritize and plan for the maintenance and improvement of all City-owned properties.
Quality of Life:	Maintain and improve the quality of life for RPV residents.
Citizen Involvement & Public Outreach:	Engage residents and community partners in assisting the City Council, City Committee/Commissions and City Staff facilitate the decision-making process.
Government Efficiency & Transparency:	Ensure the City is maximizing the use of each tax dollar optimizing service delivery to RPV residents.

Each category includes a number of clearly-defined projects, objectives, outcomes, and/or tasks that are measurable and have target completion dates and identifies the responsible City Department(s).

For example, the Public Safety Category includes a project to “Install and commission Phase 1 of Western Ave. ALPR camera project” by 9/30/2019 with the City Manager’s Office identified as the responsible Department.

Overall there are 48 individual projects in the Action Plan including a Trails Network Plan Update, Ladera Linda and Civic Center Master Plans, Landslide Feasibility Study-Construction Implementation, Short-term Rental Enforcement, and an Updated Fee Study.

Staff will regularly update the Goals and Action Plan and the City Council will receive a report on Goal progress at its second meeting each month.

View the full list of City Council Goals at <https://www.rpvca.gov/goals>



CRIME BUSTER CORNER



KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

MEASURE
SUCCESS



The proof is in the pudding! Using everyday crime prevention tips, in conjunction with other public safety efforts, is paying off. The number of residential burglaries, vehicle burglaries, and theft from vehicles continues to drop.

Let’s keep up the good work and remain vigilant to maintain the safety of our RPV neighborhoods. For additional information, including requesting a crime map for your HOA, contact Jacqueline Ruiz, Administrative Analyst in the City Manager’s Office, at 310.544.5305 or jruiz@rpvca.gov.



BUSTED AND CAUGHT!

A security camera system obtained through the City’s HOA Security Camera Grant program helped Sheriff’s detectives identify the suspect responsible for a recent residential burglary. The camera was installed at the main neighborhood entrance and was instrumental because it provided clear footage of the alleged perpetrator, and will ultimately serve as evidence for the prosecution.

For HOAs interested in learning more about the HOA Security Camera Grant program, please contact Jacqueline Ruiz at 310.544.5305 or at jruiz@rpvca.gov.

KEEP THE CRIMINALS AWAY – SEE AND HEAR ANYONE ON YOUR PROPERTY

The City is expanding the Vacation/ Home Renovation Ring Spotlight Camera Program to allow residents to borrow a camera should a residential burglary occur near their residence. The Ring Spotlight Camera, which is battery powered, allows homeowners the ability to check on their residence while away from their home via their smart phone or tablet. Homeowners can activate the built-in spotlight and alarm functions from their smartphone or tablet.

To request a loaner camera or for additional information, contact Jacqueline Ruiz, Administrative Analyst in the City Manager’s Office, at 310.544.5305 or at jruiz@rpvca.gov.

NOV. 5 ELECTION SCHEDULED AND NOMINATION PERIOD FOR CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES OPENS JULY 15



The City of Rancho Palos Verdes will hold its General Municipal Election on November 5, 2019, for three (3) City Council seats. The nomination period for candidates for City Council will begin on Monday, July 15, 2019, and will close on Friday, August 9, 2019, at 4:30pm. There is an extension period of five days if an incumbent fails to file nomination papers by the deadline. During the nomination period, election manuals containing all of the necessary paperwork will be available from the City Clerk’s Office during the City’s regular office hours, which are Monday through Thursday from 7:30am to 5:30pm and Fridays from 7:30am to 4:30pm. Please contact the City Clerk’s Office at 310.544.5208 to make an appointment if you are interested in becoming a candidate for City Council. To be eligible to run for City Council, a candidate must be a registered voter and a resident of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes. Full details on the November election, including candidate information, will be available in early July, 2019 on the City’s website at <http://www.rpvca.gov/632/Elections-Voter-Services> or by contacting the City Clerk.

COMMITTEES ARE IN SESSION

A zebra is a horse designed by a committee goes an old joke, but the hard work and dedication shown by the volunteer members of City Committees and Commissions is no laughing matter. These resident bodies, appointed by the City Council, cover the whole spectrum of civic matters including planning, finance, emergencies, traffic, and Civic Center planning. The following is a brief description of some of the Committees and the Planning Commission. For more information and to see if there are any current vacancies or recruitments, go to <http://www.rpvca.gov/149/Advisory-Boards-Committees>. Go to <http://www.rpvca.gov/772/City-Meeting-Video-and-Agendas> to view upcoming or archived committee/commission agendas

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission makes decisions on specific private land use planning applications such as subdivision maps, variances, and conditional use permits; reviews environmental assessments; makes decisions on view restoration permits and considers appeals of staff decisions on land use planning applications. Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month at Hesse Park at 7pm.

CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CCAC)

The CCAC serves as an advisory board to the City Council, advising on the development of the Civic Center Master Plan. The CCAC’s work plan includes public outreach, identifying potential components, developing a conceptual design, and other issues. Meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 6pm in the Community Room at City Hall.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE (EPC)

The EPC advises and assists the City Council and staff to ensure that the City develops and maintains a high state of readiness to respond to a wide range of potential emergencies and disasters. Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7pm in the Community Room at City Hall.

FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FAC)

The FAC’s mission is to provide citizen input to the City Council regarding the City’s financial matters including short and long-term financial information and other financial issues. Meetings scheduled as needed, typically on Thursdays at 7pm in the Community Room at City Hall.

INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IMAC)

The IMAC’s mission is to provide community input by advising the Council on a wide range of issues including public works and park infrastructure, capital improvement projects, sewer and stormwater systems, Portuguese Bend Landslide and other special projects. Meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 6pm in the Community Room at City Hall.

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (TSC)

The TSC advises the Council on traffic issues, development proposals and other special projects. It reviews and advises on neighborhood calming guidelines and other traffic-related matters. Meets the 4th Monday of every other month at 6:30pm in the Community Room at City Hall.

PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR A WILDFIRE



What is one thing that you can do to protect your home in the case of a wildfire? You can create and maintain a defensible space around your home to increase its chance of surviving a wildfire. This space is needed to slow the spread of wildfire and improves the safety of firefighters defending your home.

Your defensible space falls into two zones. Zone 1 extends 30 feet out from buildings, structures, decks, etc. Remove dead or dying vegetation, regularly trim trees, and create separation between trees, shrubs, and items that could catch fire. Zone 2 extends 30 to 100 feet from buildings and other structures. Cut or mow annual grass down to a maximum height of four inches and remove fallen leaves, needles, and small braches.

Download CalFire’s Ready for Wildfire app on your smartphone! After downloading the app, follow the wildfire preparation checklist so that you can prepare your home and family before a wildfire strikes. Visit <http://www.readyforwildfire.org/Ready-for-Wildfire-App/> for additional information.

INTERESTED IN GETTING RID OF UNSIGHTLY OVERHEAD UTILITY LINES?



The City of Rancho Palos Verdes has pursued replacing overhead utility lines with lines and facilities underground since at least 1975. “Undergrounding,” as it is commonly referred to, is governed by Rule 20 of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), and some funds collected from ratepayers are allocated to the City, but limited to use on projects along main arterial roads and collector roads. CPUC Rule 20 does not allow the use of these funds in residential areas, but allows neighborhoods to pursue and fund undergrounding projects.

As a resident and/or property owner in Rancho Palos Verdes who may wish to have overhead utility lines undergrounded, there are steps you may take towards starting an undergrounding project in your area.

1. Talk with your neighbors to determine if there is a majority interested in an undergrounding project for the neighborhood (a 2/3 majority is needed, property owners are financially responsible for costs that are estimated to be between \$40,000 and \$60,000 per property)
2. If sufficient interest exists, the neighborhood would submit a Letter of Inquiry to the City.
3. Assist your neighborhood in forming a committee for undergrounding
4. Assist your neighborhood in circulating a petition of interest (\$100 is required with each petition, to be used as a deposit towards the project)

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes established “Guidelines to Undergrounding Utilities in Residential Neighborhoods” in 2005, and a copy of those guidelines, which includes forms and Frequently Asked Questions, or FAQs, can be found at:

<http://www.rpvca.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2300/Underground-Utilities-Guidelines-PDF?bidId=>

The amount of funds available to the City for these efforts is limited, and insufficient to underground all overhead facilities (or even just along arterial and collector roads) throughout the City.

Historically, through City efforts under Rule 20, overhead lines have been replaced in the following areas:

- Along Palos Verdes Drive South (from Forrestal Drive to Palos Verdes Drive East)
- Along Forrestal Drive
- Along Palos Verdes Drive West
- Along Hawthorne Boulevard (from Indian Peak Road to Indian Valley Road)

In the summer of 2019, overhead lines are expected to be replaced with underground facilities:

- Along Palos Verdes Drive South (between La Rotonda and the City limits)
- Along Crenshaw Boulevard (between Crest Road and Valley View Road)

BECOME A DOCENT
AT
THE POINT VICENTE INTERPRETIVE CENTER
(PVIC)

OPEN HOUSE
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28, 2019 at 7pm
SUNSET ROOM (PVIC)

CLASSES START ~ SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

For More Information Call 310.544.5375
or email annz@rpvca.gov

WHY DO YOU VOLUNTEER?



This question is for both regular volunteers and for people thinking of volunteering for the first time. You may be encouraged to try it out or possibly increase your volunteering after reading the following good news. Volunteering can make you healthy! Studies are finding that when you stop thinking about your own problems and pay attention to someone other than yourself, your stress levels start to decrease, your overall sense of life satisfaction increases, and your immune system strengthens. This all starts happening because helping someone else stops the tension-producing patterns and we begin to see and feel a sense of purpose, positive emotions, and high confidence levels. If you'd like to try volunteering, join us and sign up at volunteer@rpvca.gov. For more information, contact Mary Hirsch, RPV Volunteer Coordinator at 310.544.5260 or at maryh@rpvca.gov.

TAKE A RIDE ON PV TRANSIT

Paul Simon encouraged Gus to "Hop on the bus" back in the 70's and that's still good advice today! Keep public transit in mind the next time you plan a trip. Information about Palos Verdes Peninsula Transit Authority (PVPTA) including Dial-A-Ride, route maps, "TAP" pass cards, and trip planning assistance is available at <http://www.palosverdes.com/pvtransit/>. Enjoy the ride!

HOWL TO DEAL WITH COYOTES



The City's 2013 Coyote Management Plan was updated last year to be more relevant and consistent with those in the cities of Rolling Hills Estates and Palos Verdes Estates. The updated Plan, which is based on input received from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is available on the City's website at <http://www.rpvca.gov/1113/Coyote-Management-Plan>.

In Rancho Palos Verdes, when residents have a concern about a coyote, they are asked to call the Code Enforcement Division. Code Enforcement Staff will assess the situation and determine if the problem is one that can be handled by the use of preventative measures, or if the situation needs to be escalated to the Agricultural Commissioner for further review. Many times, informing residents about what they can do to secure their yard to deter coyotes is all that is needed. However, in some instances, Staff may determine that a visit from the Agricultural Commissioner is warranted. In those cases, City Staff and an Agricultural Commissioner officer will conduct a yard audit to assess what can be done to deter coyote activity.

It should be noted that hours and services that the County has provided to the Peninsula for animal-related matters have drastically increased since 2017. There is now a full-time dedicated deputy from the Agricultural Commissioner who canvasses the Peninsula on Mondays through Thursdays, between approximately 6am and 3pm. For more information about coyotes, you can also visit www.wildneighbors.org or the California Department of Fish and Wildlife website at www.wildlife.ca.gov/Keep-Me-Wild.

The City also has also been on the forefront in disseminating public information and brochures on living with urban coyotes, as well as methods to deter coyotes from entering properties. To report coyote activities via the City's web-based platform or to report sightings from a mobile or desktop device, go to <http://coyotesightings.rpvca.gov>.

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you have feel there is a coyote in your neighborhood that is dangerous or has shown aggressive behavior, please call the City's Code Enforcement Division at 310.544.5299. If you encounter a sick, lethargic, injured, or dead coyote, contact Los Angeles County Animal Control to pick up the animal at 310.523.9566.

CURRENT ELECTRIC NEWS

WHO YA GONNA CALL?

What would you do if you saw a downed power line? Immediately call 9-1-1 and let the operator know that it is an electrical emergency.

It is important to practice safety first and to make the right call in the case of an emergency. Remember that downed wires do not always spark or hum. ALWAYS assume they are energized. Do NOT approach a downed wire or any person or object in contact with the wire.



NEED TO REPORT A POWER OUTAGE?

Dial 800.611.1911 to report a power outage

WANT TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION AND ALERTS ABOUT OUTAGES?

Go to <https://www.sce.com/outage-center> to sign up!

CAL WATER CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We're reaching out to provide you with an update on California Water Service's (Cal Water) Palos Verdes Peninsula Water Reliability Project. As you may know, this work involves the installation of seven miles of new drinking water pipeline and a new pump station to help ensure all Peninsula residents continue to have safe, reliable water service.

- Work on Crenshaw Boulevard is expected to begin around the **week of June 24**, starting at Crest Road and moving towards the new pump station site, north of Silver Spur Road. Crews are scheduled to work from Monday to Friday, 9am to 7pm **Please expect increased traffic delays during work hours.**
- At least one lane of traffic will be open in each direction at all times and all lanes will be open during non-work hours. **Please slow down while driving in construction zones and obey all traffic control signage and personnel.**
- Where possible, we encourage drivers to use alternate routes (including **Hawthorne Boulevard**) and navigation apps including Google Maps, Waze or Apple Maps to avoid delays due to increased traffic.

For a detailed map of traffic control on Crenshaw Boulevard, please visit the Crenshaw Construction and Traffic page on the project website at <https://www.pvpwaterproject.com/>

Summer Events



Fourth of July Celebration
Thursday, July 4th,
11 am - 5 pm
Point Vicente Park/ Civic Center
30940 Hawthorne Blvd



Shakespeare by the Sea presents:
THE COMEDY OF ERRORS
Sunday, July 7th at 7 pm
Point Vicente Park/ Civic Center
30940 Hawthorne Blvd FREE!



Concert in the Park presents:
Endless Summer
Saturday, July 27th
12 pm - 4 pm
Point Vicente Park/ Civic Center
30940 Hawthorne Blvd

Visit
www.rpvca.gov/ParksandRec
to view more Summer Events!

MAKE RECREATION YOUR VOCATION!



Looking for a Part-Time job? The City of Rancho Palos Verdes Recreation and Parks Department is hiring!

The City is currently accepting applications for Recreation Leaders to fill positions with Open Space Management, the Point Vicente Interpretive Center, Eastview Park, Ryan Park, Hesse Park, and the REACH Program.

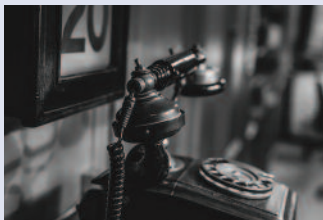
No previous experience is required, but candidates should have a passion for service and the outdoors, and excellent customer service and communication skills. The Recreation and Parks Department provides high-quality parks and facilities and offers a variety of safe, affordable, and innovative programs that enhance the well-being of the community. For more information, contact the Recreation and Parks Department at parks@rpvca.gov or 310.544.5260 or visit www.rpvca.gov/jobs.

EXCESS TRASH COLLECTION

Had a party? Cleaned your garage? If you have excess trash that does not fit into your regular trash cart, call EDCO and inquire about the twice-a-year free excess trash collection. If you want your excess trash removed, you have to call it in first.

Questions? Contract EDCO at 310.540.2977 www.rpvrecycles.com

CITY HALL PHONE NUMBERS



City Hall Main Line	310.544.5200
City Manager's Office	310.544.5207
City Clerk's Office	310.544.5217
Finance	310.544.5304
Community Development	310.544.5228
Human Resources	310.544.5327
Public Works	310.544.5252
Recreation and Parks	310.544.5260
Building & Safety Division	310.544.5280
Code Enforcement	310.544.5281

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TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

EDCO 310.540.2977 or
www.RPVrecycles.com

June: Regular Schedule. No Changes.

July: There is no service on Thursday, July 4th, Independence Day. Thursday and Friday services will be delayed by one day.

August: Regular Schedule. No Changes.

Leave all containers at the curb no later than 7am on collection day, and remove empty containers by no later than 10pm on collection day.

Empty carts cannot be left on the street overnight.

BACKYARD SERVICE: EDCO provides backyard service to customers at an additional monthly charge. If you have temporary or permanent physical or medical limitations, or travel out of town frequently, call EDCO and inquire about this service.



GREEN CORNER



ELECTRONICS AND BULKY ITEM COLLECTION - CALL EDCO 310.540.2977



EDCO offers customers free (limited) curbside collection of bulky and electronic items such as mattresses, sofas, water heaters, tables, TVs, computer monitors and CPUs, DVD players, desks, etc. Call EDCO to arrange for a collection date. Remember, if your item is in good shape and could be re-used, please contact a charitable organization to donate it.

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE TO EDCO CUSTOMERS: EDCO offers various discounts to customers: 1) Customers 65 and older are eligible for a 10% senior citizen discount (a one-time only application is needed for a new senior citizen customer). 2) If you pay for trash services a year in advance (discount available only with the July-Sept invoice) you are eligible for a 5% annual pre-payment discount. 3) Low-income customers may qualify for 5% discount (same household income criteria as CARE). These discounts are not exclusive and may be combined. For more information contact EDCO or check the City's website at: <http://www.rpvca.gov/310/Solid-Waste-Recycling>

COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS

The City will host two back-to-back LA County-sponsored composting workshops on Saturday, June 22nd at Hesse Park, Fireside Room.

- "Beginners" Workshop from 9:30am to 11am.
- "Advanced Composting" Workshop from 1pm to 3pm.

The County plans to sell discounted compost and worm bins after each event - cash and check only. Go to www.smartgardening.com for more information on workshops. The City offers residents a rebate, one per household (if no one in your household has received a City rebate for the purchase of a compost or worm bin since 2014). Please note that there will be no instant rebates at the workshops. Rebate forms can be downloaded from the City's website or at the Public Works counter.



RECYCLE AND WIN \$250!



In your July EDCO billing you will find the "Recyclers of the Month" entry card. If you recycle your yard waste in the green container(s) and/or your paper, newspaper, cans, bottles and glass in the blue recycling container(s), fill out the entry card, affix a stamp and mail it in. At each City Council meeting two lucky verified recyclers win a check for \$250 plus a personal emergency preparedness kit! You could easily be one of the

48 lucky winners each year. If you pay online, please see EDCO's online link that is available in July and follow instructions. This is one way the City thanks RPV residents for recycling. If you need more blue or green recycling bins, call EDCO at 310.540.2977.

Recycle Household Batteries: Do not discard spent batteries in the trash. Batteries should be taken to a household hazardous waste roundup or dropped off at one of RPV's park sites, City Hall, Ryan Park and Hesse Park, where there are designated battery recycling bins.

Hazardous Waste Recycling Option: If you have old fluorescent lights, paint, automotive fluids, car and household batteries, go to the Gaffey SAFE Center at 1400 N. Gaffey St., in San Pedro. It is open every Saturday and Sunday from 9am to 3pm and accept household hazardous waste and electronic waste material. Call 800.988.6942 or go to www.CleanLA.com

